

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS.

The board of county commissioners met in regular session at the court house in Socorro, April 1, 1901, at 10 o'clock a. m. There were present Commissioners John Greenwald, chairman, and A. E. Rouiller, H. G. Baca, clerk and interpreter; C. F. Blackington, sheriff, by M. Baca, deputy. No business presenting itself the board adjourned until 2 p. m.

The board met pursuant to adjournment, those being present who were present in the morning. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The question of refunding the county's indebtedness was introduced but postponed until the following day.

In accordance with judgment rendered by the territorial supreme court the board ordered the clerk to issue a warrant for \$1,159.90 to A. C. Torres as school superintendent, said amount including his unpaid salary for the years 1899 and 1900, also interest and costs of suit, all to be paid out of the general school fund. The board then adjourned until Tuesday, April 2, at 10 a. m.

The board met pursuant to adjournment, those present who were present on Monday, except the sheriff, who was notified that he need not attend except when called by the board.

The matter of refunding the outstanding indebtedness of the county was taken up, in order, and by resolution the proposition of Trowbridge & Niver Co., under date of April 1, 1901, was accepted. This proposition provides for the refunding of approximately \$142,000 of the county bonds. A written contract was made in duplicate and a payment of one thousand dollars was made on said sale under said contract. It was also provided that if in refunding the county indebtedness it should become necessary to call in the bonds of 1884 and 1889 for the purpose of payment, the clerk of the board and the county treasurer were directed to sign any and all notices for publication or otherwise upon the request of the chairman of the board. The board then adjourned until 2 p. m.

The board met pursuant to adjournment, the same members present as before. There being no business to come before the board, adjournment was taken until Wednesday, April 1, at 9 a. m.

The board met on Wednesday pursuant to adjournment, the same members present as on Tuesday. A telegram was received from Judge Dan'l H. McMillan notifying the board of his appointment of W. E. Kelley as district attorney pro tempore in the absence of District Attorney Geo. W. Prichard. W. E. Kelley was sworn in and at once entered upon the duties of his office.

The following bills were approved and the clerk was ordered to issue warrants on the general fund for same, viz:

C. F. Blackington, sheriff's fees, &c. \$842.85
 Thos. Jaques, 23 1/2 days expert work. 58.75
 Henry Chambliss, office rent 15.00
 El Republicano, printing 30.15
 Also on the school fund as follows:
 Socorro county Publishing Company. \$10.00
 Benj. Sanchez, for poll tax lists. 112.50
 Elfege Baca, salary and office supplies. 233.28
 The board then adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

The board met pursuant to adjournment, all present as in the morning. The following bills were allowed and the clerk was ordered to issue warrants for the same out of the general fund, viz:

Jas. G. Fitch, certified copy of bill No. 108. \$3.10
 Benj. Sanchez, schedules, stamps, &c. 67.85
 Socorro County Publishing Company, printing. 79.35
 E. K. Hilton, office supplies. 8.10
 John Greenwald, salary first quarter. 75.00
 A. E. Rouiller, salary and mileage, first quarter. 99.00
 M. Contreras, same. 83.00
 J. E. Torres, salary, first

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quarter. 75.00
 H. G. Baca, same. 150.00
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 S. Alexander, same. 75.00
 S. Alexander, attending case N. M. P. Co. 5.00

H. G. Baca, interpreter and supplies. 57.20
 Abran Abeyta stamps. 10.00
 The clerk was ordered to deliver to the county treasurer the check for \$1,000 paid by Trowbridge & Niver Co. and place the same to the credit of the special refunding fund of 1901. The board then adjourned to meet Thursday, April 4, 1901, at 9 a. m.

The board met on Thursday pursuant to adjournment, all present as on Wednesday. On petition constables were appointed for various precincts as follows:

Juan Torres y Montaña, precinct No. 2.
 Teofilo Girou, precinct No. 11.
 Andres Romero y L., precinct No. 44.
 Emiliano Griego, precinct No. 43.

Also justices of the peace were appointed for various precincts as follows:

Ed. Bourguignon, precinct No. 14.
 Seferino Savedra, precinct No. 40.
 The clerk was ordered to issue certificates for the above appointments.

Bonds of constables of various precincts were approved as follows:

Francisco Gonzales, precinct No. 23.

Avelino Rojo, precinct No. 21.

Emiliano Apodaca, precinct No. 8.

Prudencio Gonzales, precinct No. 28.

Maximiliano Carrillo, precinct No. 16.

James Carmody, precinct No. 14.

Vivian Tafuya, precinct No. 25.

Tomas Baca, precinct No. 5.

The board then adjourned until 2 p. m.

The board met pursuant to adjournment, all present as in the morning. The following bills were allowed and the clerk ordered to issue warrants in payment of the same out of the wild animal bounty fund, viz:

Lemuel Sears, 2 coyotes. \$2.00
 C. T. Taylor, 26 coyotes. 1 bear. 33.00

Jose Estrada, 2 coyotes. 1 bear. 9.00

Joseph Hale, 1 coyote. 1.00

Francisco Martinez, 1 coyote. 1.00

Pedro Armijo, 4 coyotes. 4.00

Juan Telles, 1 coyote. 1.00

The reports of justices of the peace for various precincts were approved as follows:

J. E. E. Baca, precinct No. 23.

Severo Carrillo, precinct No. 16.

Nicanor Montoya, precinct No. 8.

Donaciano Gavaldon, precinct No. 43.

The board then ordered that C. Miera be paid as commissioner the sum of \$272.83 out of the different funds and the clerk was ordered to issue warrants for the same. The board then adjourned to meet on Friday, April 5, at 9 a. m.

The board met on Friday pursuant to adjournment. The following bills were allowed and the clerk was ordered to issue warrants for the same out of the general fund, viz:

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EXPERT NILSSON TO REPORT

Treasurer Abran Abeyta's Books Carefully Audited—The Public Invited to Hear the Report.

W. A. Nilsson, the expert accountant chosen by the board of county commissioners to audit the accounts of Treasurer Abran Abeyta, has completed his work. John Greenwald, chairman of the board, has requested the publication of the following notice, viz: Socorro, N. M., April 13.

EDITOR CHIEFTAIN: Please to announce that the board of county commissioners will meet at the court house at 10 o'clock a. m., Monday, April 22, to receive the report of the expert appointed to audit the county treasurer's books. All taxpayers and citizens interested are invited to be present and hear the report.

JOHN GREENWALD, Chairman.

Though the result of Mr. Nilsson's investigations has not yet been published, it is violating no confidence to say that his trial balance shows the sum of \$1,100 debited to Mr. Abeyta which is not yet accounted for. Mr. Abeyta, however, states that this deficiency is only apparent and that when the county board meets to receive the auditor's report he will explain the matter to the entire satisfaction of the board and of every other fair minded citizen.

Too much can hardly be said in praise of Mr. Nilsson's work as an expert accountant in this case. Everybody who has examined his work has been impressed with the systematic, yet clear and concise arrangement which characterizes it.

BAD MAN KILLED.

Red Weaver, a Notorious Character, Meets Death at Alma in a Personal Quarrel.

THE CHIEFTAIN received information this morning from Hon. W. S. George of Cooney concerning the killing at Alma on the 9th inst. of Bruce Weaver, alias Red Weaver, by Tod Holliman. Weaver was but recently released from the county jail at this place under bond on a charge of horse stealing.

The particulars of the killing are in effect as follows: On Monday evening Weaver was talking of a young girl in terms not at all complimentary to her character. Tod Holliman called him to account, when Weaver with his gun threatened to kill Holliman. The latter was unarmed but promised to meet Weaver again. The two men met Tuesday morning. Two pistols were fired simultaneously and Weaver fell dead with a pistol ball through his head. Thus ended another bad man's career.

Holliman's trial was set for Thursday. The result has not yet been made known in Socorro but the probability is that the defendant was promptly acquitted.

When the wind was at its height Thursday, a portion of the brick front of Wamel's store went down with a crash, carrying with it a Mexican who happened to be passing along. The amount of brick that fell would easily weigh a ton, but strange to say the man was but slightly cut and bruised and managed to extricate himself from the fallen mass unaided. It is said that the blowing down of this brick front Thursday proves the wind on that day to have been the strongest for years, but this may not be so. It may simply prove that on Thursday the brick front was the weakest for years.—Deming Herald.

NOTICE.

The handkerchief sale to be given by the ladies Episcopal church guild will take place on April 19th in the bank building just opposite the post office. The ladies will sell ice cream and cakes and home made candies and handkerchiefs of all kinds and sizes. The large hall will afford room for all comers, so come and have a good time. Doors open at 8 p. m. No charge for admission.

OF HOME INTEREST.

F. G. Bartlett made a business trip to Magdalena Monday.

Garden truck is late owing to cold nights and high winds.

John Greenwald made a business trip to Magdalena Thursday.

J. P. Chase made a business trip to Magdalena Wednesday.

Fresh milk cows for sale, Holstein and Durham. J. W. TERRY.

Mrs. John Greenwald was quite sick last week but is now recovered.

Walter Jones registered at the Windsor Monday from Lamar, Colorado.

Henry Chavez took a brief vacation and visited San Antonio Thursday.

Doctor Saylor is at home forenoons and at his dental office afternoons.

J. C. Baldrige and son arrived in town from Albuquerque Wednesday.

A. H. Hilton, the San Antonio merchant, was a guest at the Windsor Sunday.

For school books, stationery, and all school supplies call on A. C. Torres, Court street.

Miss Irene Tiffany is acquiring the art of typewriting in the office of the district clerk.

Capt. Cooney and Bob Collins left yesterday morning for Water Canon to look after their kids.

Wanted: A two seated carriage and set double harness. Must be in good repair. W. H. BRYAN.

H. Bonem and daughter of San Marcial were registered among the guests at the Windsor Tuesday.

Mrs. Louis Bertrand left this morning to join her husband on the southern border of Chihuahua, Mexico.

Ice cream and ice cream soda will be served at Katzenstein's all day Sunday. Don't forget the time or place.

Nathan Price spent Sunday and Monday with relatives and friends in Socorro, leaving Tuesday morning for Chicago.

Sheriff Blackington went over to the east side of the river yesterday to look after his ranch and mining property.

Chas. Gause left Monday for Grant county where he is becoming quite extensively interested in the stock business.

F. A. Andrews left Sunday morning for Safford, Arizona, on receipt of a message that his clerk had "skipped the country."

H. M. Porter of Denver, the owner of the largest herds of cattle in Socorro county, stopped in the city between trains Thursday.

Mrs. Francisca Towle vs. Abran Abeyta, to cancel mortgage, is the style of case filed this week in the office of the district clerk.

Mr. Knowles, the Western Union night operator, has accepted a position with the Santa Fe Pacific. He left Monday night.

Probate Judge José E. Torres, of Socorro, a member of the bureau of immigration, is in the capital to attend a meeting of the board.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

Professor Jones, accompanied by Messrs. Smith and Hunter of his class of engineering, went out to Magdalena Thursday to visit some mines in that vicinity.

There is very little water in the river at this point, probably owing to the fact that cold weather in Colorado has prevented the melting of the snow.

C. T. Brown of this city and C. Hazeltine and H. O. True of Boston are in the Black Range this week. They are expected to return Monday or Tuesday.

Died, in this city, yesterday, at 10 o'clock a. m., of apoplexy, Lucas Pino of San Antonio. Deceased passed away at the home of his son-in-law, Boleslao Pino.

Professor Phalen, Doctor Meyer, and Mr. Richmond of the school of mines have gone out to Clewom today to examine an alleged deposit of manganese in that vicinity.

J. A. Smiley and family returned to Magdalena Monday morning after a visit of two or three days with Mrs. Smiley's parents, Rev. and Mrs. Matthieson of this city.

J. J. Blow, the gentleman who recently created a sensation by being accused of discovering diamonds near Capitan, was in the city yesterday on his way home from New York.

Judge D. H. McMillan and Stenographer Sidebottom arrived Saturday afternoon, and Clerk Griffith and Interpreter Eaton, Sunday, all coming in from the north.—Carlsbad Argus.

Judge McMillan has appointed W. E. Kelley district attorney pro tempore to serve in the absence of District Attorney Geo. W. Prichard. The appointment is a good one and well merited.

The Koonville Koonlets are said to be developing remarkable talent and the public may be sure of a rare treat when this "stupendous aggregation" makes its first bow upon the histrionic stage.

S. N. Nubia opened a restaurant Sunday in the room adjoining Winkler's on the southeast corner of the plaza. A short order department in connection. Meals, 25 cents. Everything neat and strictly first-class.

It is reported on good authority that the Becker, Blackwell Company of Magdalena has bought the stock of merchandise carried by C. F. Dunnagan & Co. Both these firms have always had the reputation of being strong and reliable.

The Knights of Pythias will at once begin repairs and improvements on their property recently purchased from W. H. Byerts. One of the first and much needed improvements will be a front entrance to the hall in the rear of the barber shop.

Hon. Solomon Luna was in town Monday on his way from Los Lunas to his sheep ranges in the western part of the county. The shearing and lambing season are approaching and sheepmen will be extremely busy for the next thirty days.

The ball that was announced to take place last night under the auspices of the Koonville Koonlets for the benefit of the cemetery fund was postponed until Tuesday night, April 16, on account of its being impossible to secure the music that was expected.

M. W. Browne, of this city, yesterday filed his bond as secretary and treasurer of the board of regents of the New Mexico Normal University at East Las Vegas. The bond is for \$50,000, and is signed by F. A. Manzanares and J. S. Duncan.—Optic.

The Queen Group Mining and Smelting company has this week filed its articles of incorporation under the laws of West Virginia in the office of Probate Clerk H. G. Baca. The capital stock of the company is \$1,000,000. Attorney Jas. G. Fitch is the company's agent.

John Greenwald, Jr., has accepted the position of Manager of Fred Scholle's flouring mill at Belen and left Wednesday morning to assume the duties of his position. John is an experienced hand at the business and will doubtless be entirely successful in his management of the establishment.

Rev. Ferguson, the new Presbyterian minister assigned to this mission station, conducted his first services in the Presbyterian church Easter morning. Mr. Ferguson has created a very favorable impression upon those who have met him in Socorro. His sermon Sunday morning is spoken of as especially interesting.

Mrs. W. H. Sanders, wife of the well known stockman, has been a guest at the Windsor for several days. Mrs. Sanders is in Socorro for medical treatment. Though not now in perfect health, she affords an excellent illustration of the benefits to be derived from New Mexico climate for certain diseases. Before coming to Socorro county from Texas, Mrs. Sanders was sadly afflicted with asthma. She now states that the disease seems to have left her entirely.

A PURE GRAPE CREAM OF TARTAR POWDER.

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Highest Honors, World's Fair Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair Avoid Baking Powders containing alum. They are injurious to health.

Monte Rigney, who left Socorro seven or eight years ago for Missouri, is now employed in the store of John Becker at Belen. Mr. Rigney passed through the city yesterday morning on his way to Magdalena to assist in taking an inventory of the C. F. Dunnagan & Co. stock recently purchased by the Becker-Blackwell company.

Mrs. Duncan entertained the ladies of the Episcopal guild and choir at her home on California avenue yesterday afternoon. As the entertainment was for ladies only the proceedings are of course a profound secret. Enough is known, however, of Mrs. Duncan's bountiful hospitality to make safe the statement that there was no lack of enjoyment.

Eslegate B. S. Rodey has won his first case in United States supreme court. The case was that of the Browne-Manzanares Company vs. Chavez. The case involved about \$15,000. The decision was handed down at Washington this morning, and it affirms the proposition that a judgment in New Mexico under the present law lives only seven years, and cannot be revived by any process after that time.—Las Vegas Optic.

Impressive Easter services were conducted at Epiphany church. The church itself had been especially prepared for the occasion by a thorough renovation under the direction of the ladies of the congregation. The sermon by Rev. McConnell was an interesting one on the subject of the resurrection. The choir rendered music appropriate to the occasion. In addition to the spiritual and mental pleasures afforded, the eye was delighted with a profusion of plants in full bloom.

The Silver City Enterprise says: Cipriano Baca, appointed by Governor Otero as Sheriff of Luna county, is probably better known throughout the county than any other appointee. He is closer to Silver City, having lived here during the greatest part of his service in the county. Deming, however, was his home before he came to Silver City and in the early 80's. Mr. Baca has always proved himself a competent and faithful servant and there is universal regret in this part of Grant county that he should leave.

W. H. Bryan, a gentleman who recently came down from Denver and settled on a farm a short distance north of town, had an experience with a saddle horse one day this week that was rather too lively to be entertaining. The horse seemed to think that his rider was a little too deliberate in mounting and protested in a way that resulted in Mr. Bryan's receiving some pretty severe scratches and bruises from coming in sudden contact with mother earth. The performance was repeated three or four times but Mr. Bryan pluckily staid with the animal until he had accomplished his purpose. Though somewhat disfigured he is still in the ring.

SECRETARY WALLACE DEAD.

Hon. S. Alexander received a telegram from Santa Fe this morning announcing the sudden death from pleurisy of Secretary Geo. H. Wallace. No further particulars have been received. It is simply known that Mr. Wallace had been suffering for a few days from the attack which very unexpectedly resulted in his death.